



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 28, 2006

H.R. 4382

Southern Nevada Readiness Center Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on July 19, 2006

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 4382 would not significantly affect the federal budget. Under the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) conveyed certain federal land to Clark County, Nevada. That act specifies that, if the county ever conveys the land, it must charge fair market value and give a portion of the proceeds to BLM. The agency could use such proceeds, without further appropriation, to acquire environmentally sensitive property and complete certain projects in Nevada.

H.R. 4382 would authorize Clark County to convey to the state of Nevada, for no consideration, between 35 and 50 acres of land originally conveyed to the county under SNPLMA. The state would likely establish a National Guard facility on any land it receives under the bill. Based on information from BLM, CBO expects that the county would not sell the affected land under current law; therefore, we estimate it would generate no significant receipts (or subsequent direct spending) over the next 10 years. We also estimate that the bill would not affect federal costs for land management, which are subject to appropriation.

H.R. 4382 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. Enacting this bill would benefit the state of Nevada and Clark County.

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